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1 IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA 2 INDECK KEYSTONE ENERGY, LLC, 3 Plaintiff 4 : Case No. 04-325 Erie 5 VICTORY ENERGY OPERATIONS, LLC, Defendant 6 7 8 Deposition of ROBERT JOHN GDANIEC, taken before and by Sondra A. Black, Notary Public in and for the 9 Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, on Tuesday, November 8, 10 2005, commencing at 9:06 a.m., at the offices of 11 Marshall Dennehey Warner Coleman & Goggin, 1001 State 12 13 Street, Erie, Pennsylvania 16501. 14 ENTIAL 15 16 For the Plaintiff: 17 John K. Gisleson, Esquire Schnader Harrison Segal & Lewis, LLP 18 Fifth Avenue Place 120 Fifth Avenue, Suite 2700 19 Pittsburgh, PA 15222 20 For the Defendant: 21 Christopher T. Sheean, Esquire Wildman Harrold Allen & Dixon, LLP 22 225 West Wacker Drive Chicago, IL 60606 23 24 Reported by Sondra A. Black 25 Ferguson & Holdnack Reporting, Inc.

EXHIBIT

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1)	1	ROBERT JOHN GDANIEC, first having
	2	been duly sworn, testified as follows:
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1)	4	DIRECT EXAMINATION
	5	BY MR. SHEEAN:
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	7	Q. Sir, would you please state your name for the
11	8	record.
11	9	A. Robert John Gdaniec.
	10	Q. Let the record reflect this is the deposition of
11	11	Robert John Gdaniec pursuant to subpoena and notice and
1	12	pursuant to the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure.
11	13	Mr. Gdaniec, can you please provide your home
	14	address.
1]	15	A. 4084 Zimmerman Road, Erie, Pennsylvania 16510.
i 1	16	Q. How long have you resided there?
!	17	A. Five years.
11	18	Q. And your business address?
	19	A. Is 5300 Knowledge Parkway, Suite 200, Erie,
11	20	Pennsylvania 16510-4660.
	21	Q. The name of your employer?
4 · · ·	22	A. CMI EPTI, LLC.
	23	Q. Have you ever had your deposition taken before?
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	25	Q. I'm going to go over a couple quick ground rules
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11	1	it was more appropriate that Heather then be directly
11	2	involved to understand what potential CMI EPTI liabilities
[]	3	there could be involved with this. So at that point I
11	4	believe we just identified to Mr. Woodson that Heather would
	5	be in contact with him.
11	6	Q. Anything else you can recall specifically from your
	7	conversations with Mr. Woodson, other than what you've
1	8	already told me?
11	9	A. No. Nothing specific.
	10	Q. I want to go into a little bit of your background
.,	11	just so I can get an understanding. Did you attend high
	12	school?
ń.	13	A. Yes, I did.
	14	Q. Where did you attend high school?
[]	15	A. Cathedral Prep in Erie, Pennsylvania.
	16	Q. Did you graduate?
	17	A. Yes, I did.
11	18	Q. What year?
	19	A. Class of '83.
11	20	Q. Did you attend college or University after that?
	21	A. Yes, I did.
	22	Q. Where did you go to college?
	23	A. Gannon University in Erie, Pennsylvania.
	24	Q. What did you study at Gannon University?
	25	A. Mechanical engineering.
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1	Q.	Did you obtain a degree in mechanical engineering?
2	A.	Yes, I did.
3	Q.	What year?
4	Α.	1987.
5	Q.	Did you have any minors or subspecialties?
6	A.	No.
7	Q.	Did you attend any postgraduate studies?
8	A.	No, I did not.
9	Q.	What was your first job after graduating from Gannon
10	Univers	ity?
11	A.	At Electric Boat in Groton, Connecticut.
12	Q.	What did you do at Electric Boat?
13	Α.	I was a nonengineered or I was an engineered
14	compone	nts designer for a nonnuclear pump service.
15	Q.	What were your job responsibilities?
16	A.	Reviewing technical specifications, troubleshooting
17	in the	shipyard, Naval support for Trident and 688 class
18	submari	nes.
19	Q.	Anything else?
20	Α.	No.
21	Q.	How long did you work for Electric Boat in Groton?
22	Α.	Two years.
23	Q.	Till 1989?
24	Α.	Correct.
25	Q.	What did you strike that. Where did you go in

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1)	1	1989?	
	2	A. I came back to Erie to work for Zurn Industry's	
11	3	energy division.	
	4	Q. I'm sorry, what division?	
	5	A. Energy division.	
11	6	Q. What was your first position at Zurn in 1989?	
	7	A. Design engineer in the engineering group.	i
5 }	8	Q. What were your responsibilities as design engineer?	
	. 9	A. Thermal performance, basic boiler design, boiler	
	10	circulation, basic calculations, piping sizing, pressure drop	
4.1	11	calculations.	
	12	Q. Anything else?	
ſÌ	13	A. Nothing in particular, no.	
	14	Q. How long were you a design engineer at Zurn?	
1	15	A. Probably a year, maybe a year-and-a-half period.	ļ
	16	Q. So sometime in 1990 you got a new position?	
1)	17	A. Yes.	
	18	Q. What was that?	
	19	A. Moved into at that time the company created a	
1]	20	group for specializing on HRSG product lines, and I was moved	
	21	into that group as an engineer in that group.	
7	22	Q. What were your responsibilities as an engineer in	
į)	23	the HRSG group?	
	24	A. Similar to previous except specific to just the HRSG	ı
	25	product line. Basic boiler calculations, boiler sizing,	
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thermal performance, boiler circulation. Took on the responsibility of software development for the group. What sort of software did you develop for the HRSGs? 0. The thermal performance rating program, the boiler Α. circulation program, routine engineering calculations, ASME pressure vessel programs. Anything related to the design of the boilers. 0. Were you actually writing the software? In part, with the gentlemen from the computer group, Α. yes. Some specifically to me, and others in conjunction with the computer department. What language were those drafted in? 0. Α. FORTRAN 77. Where'd you learn to write programs in FORTRAN? Q. Α. At Gannon University. Anything else that you were responsible for as an Q. engineer for the HRSG group, other than what you've already told me? Over the period of time of probably five or six Α. years it was various responsibilities. Product engineering became under my responsibility, took in charge of the

graphics and drafting area under my responsibility. It was

quite a number of positions.

A. No. I can't recall.

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. , ()	1	Q. Before I forget, did you talk to Ted Fuhrman since
	2	last night?
	3	A. No, I have not.
	4	Q. Did you talk to him last night?
	5	A. No. I since yesterday morning when he was in the
	6	office.
	7	Q. What was the next position you had after engineer in
1	8	the HRSG group?
]	9	A. I don't recall the exact year, but at one point the
	10	company decided to merge everything back into one function, I
1.1	11	would guess it was probably maybe 1992 time frame, and I
	12	moved back into the main body of engineering and took over a
"	13	position that was specific to pressure vessel engineering.
	14	Q. Are these the drum internals?
1	15	A. The drums the pressure parts themselves, the
J	16	drums, the tubes, anything ASME boiler code related, sizing
	17	of safety valves, interpretation of the boiler code.
	18	Q. Now, were you responsible for the pressure vessels
	19	for all types of boilers or were you still working primarily
1	20	on the HRSGs?
}	21	A. No. This was all types of boilers. The company
7	22	made a decision that the HRSG product line was carrying the
)	23	business, so they merged everybody back into one function and
]	24	we then handled everything. The business was 90 percent
1	25	HRSG; however, it could be any product line at that point.
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1 Was it still Zurn at that point? 0. 2 Α. Yes. 3 Was Zurn a privately held company at that time? If 0. 4 you know. 5 I honestly don't know. I would say, yes, but I'm Α. 6 not sure. 7 How long were you in the main engineering department 0. operating -- what was your title at that time, when you were 8 9 moved back and you were taking over pressure vessel 10 engineering? 11 I think the title was pressure vessel engineer. A. Again, I don't recall all the -- there's been a number of 12 moves in different positions and responsibilities, and I 13 14 don't recall. 15 To the best of your recollection, what was the next 0. 16 position that you took on? 17 Manager of technical software development. Α. 18 Q. Do you recall what year that was? 19 Α. No, I don't. 20 Q. It was still with Zurn? 21 Α. Yes. 22 What were your responsibilities as the manager of Q. 23 technical software development? 24 I was responsible for all software that the company Α. 25 wrote for the engineering group.

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• •	1	Q. Anything else?	
	2	A. No. That was it was a full-time jo	b.
[]	3	Q. How long were you the manager of softw	are
	4	development?	
	5	A. It was about a one-year period.	
	6	Q. What was the next position that you to	ok?
	7	A. Manager of engineering.	
:)	8	Q. And this is still Zurn?	
	9	A. Yes. Still under the Zurn Company, ye	s.
	10	Q. Did you replace someone as manager of	engineering at
ij	11	that time?	
	12	A. Yes. At that time Frank Vona was the	would have
1	13	been the chief engineer/manager of engineering.	He had left
	14	on leave of absence, and I replaced him in that	position.
1	15	Q. What were your responsibilities as mana	ager of
1	16	engineering?	
	17	A. Had full responsibility for coordinating	ng the
,	18	day-to-day activities of the entire engineering	group.
	19	Q. Anything else?	
1	20	A. It was everything under anything that	ıt was under
)	21	engineering was my responsibility at that period	1.
]	22	Q. So that was all products company-wide?	
}	23	A. Everything, yes.	
	24	Q. Do you know what time frame that was wh	en you became
1	25	manager of engineering?	
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1	A. Just prior to 1997 because it was just prior to the
2	time that the company was sold to Aalborg Industries.
3	Q. So, late 1996?
4	A. Yeah.
5	Q. You had testified before that the company was
6	relying strike that. You testified before that the
7	company sales were 90 percent HRSGs.
8	A. Yes. That's correct.
9	Q. Was that still true in '96?
10	A. Yes.
11	Q. What other boilers made up the 10 percent?
12	A. Package boilers and what we would have called
13	conventional boilers, two-drum type
14	Q. Field erected?
15	A. Field erected, coal fired, wood fired, waste-heat
16	type boilers.
17	Q. What percentage of the company's business did the
18	package boilers represent?
19	A. At that period of time, probably 8 percent of the 10
20	percent that was remaining.
21	Q. 8 to 10 percent of that 10 percent?
22	A. Yes.
23	Q. So being an engineer, you'd agree it was about .8
24	percent of the overall sales for the company?
25	A. No. It was 8 percent of the total sales. 90
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-	1	percent was HRSGs; the remaining 10 percent, 8 of that 10
	2	percent was probably package boilers.
	3	Q. What was the size range for the package boilers at
11	4	that time?
	5	A. I don't recall. The majority of what the business
•	6	was pursuing, what we felt was competitive, was over about
	7	100,000 pounds per hour capacity. So I would guess 125,
	8	150s, 175, in that range probably.
11	9	Q. You said in 1997 the company was sold to Aalborg
	10	Industries?
	11	A. Yes. Correct.
	12	Q. And that's A-A-L-B-O-R-G?
!]	13	A. Correct.
-	14	Q. Did your title change when the company changed hands
·]	15	to Aalborg Industries?
	16	A. Yes. It became at that time we moved out of the
	17	office on 1422 and moved up to the new office where we are
. ·	18	today, and when I moved up there, I became director of
	19	technology.
[]	20	Q. Was that a promotion from manager of engineering,
	21	the director of technology?
	22	A. Organizational, yes. It was fully responsible for
1)	23	all of engineering and drafting and was a member of the staff
]	24	at that point.
1	25	Q. What does "a member of the staff" mean?
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1	A. Reported directly to the president of the company
2	and was responsible for helping to make decisions and steer
3	the direction of the company.
4	Q. Who was the president of the company at that time?
5	A. Jim Davis.
6	Q. How long were you director of technology for Aalborg
7	Industries?
8	A. I would guess two years.
9	Q. Till about '99?
10	A. Correct.
11	Q. What happened in 1999?
12	A. I chose to step out of that position and took over
13	the role of chief engineer, and we brought in a manager-type
14	personality for the position.
15	Q. Who was that?
16	A. Mike Davidson.
17	Q. Did you report to Mr. Davidson?
18	A. Yes, I did.
19	Q. Why did you decide to step out of your position as
20	director of technology?
21	A. I felt my skills and what I could contribute to the
22	company were more beneficial in a pure technical role instead
23	of the administrative managerial role.
24	Q. During that two-year period, from '97 to '99, was
25	the percentage makeup of the company sales similar to what

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11	1	you testified previously?
	2	A. No. It had changed. There was less HRSG business.
11	3	Just guessing percentage, probably 70 percent of the business
11	4	was HRSG business. We had more in the other product lines,
	5	probably a smaller higher percentage in the package
	6	boilers and some traditional conventional-type boilers at
	7	that period of time.
11	8	Q. Why did the HRSG market drop?
11	9	A. I couldn't tell you.
	10	Q. How long were you chief engineer?
11	11	A. I was chief engineer up until 2004. So probably
	12	four-year time period.
Ŧl	13	Q. Do you know who owned Aalborg Industries?
	14	A. No, I don't.
	15	Q. At some point did DKME become the owner of Aalborg
11	16	Industries?
	17	A. No. It became the owner of the company. Aalborg
.,	18	sold the company to DKME.
	19	Q. What year was that?
11	20	A. I'm going to guess it was 2002. It was either 2002
	21	or 2003.
	22	Q. Do you recall what DKME stands for?
1)	23	A. Dae Kang Machinery and Engineering Company.
1)	24	Something like that. It was always known as DKME.
	25	Q. Did your position change when Aalborg sold the
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1 company to DKME? 2 Α. No, it did not. 3 You remained as chief engineer? 0. 4 A. Yes. Correct. 5 You identified Jim Davis as the president of the Q. company when it was Aalborg Industries, correct? 6 7 A. Yes. Correct. 8 Did Mr. Davis stay on when the company was sold to 0. 9 DKME? 10 A. No, he did not. 11 Q. Who took over as president? 12 Stephen Kang -- when it was DKME, Stephen Kang was Α. 13 president of the company. 14 0. Is it K-A-N-G? 15 Α. Yes. Correct. 16 Q. Did you report to Mr. Kang? 17 Α. Yes. 18 What happened in 2004 that changed your position? Q. 19 Mr. Kang had moved the company into bankruptcy, and we were working very hard to take it out of bankruptcy, and 20 we were beginning to restructure the company, make some 21 administrative and position moves, at which time I was 22 23 promoted to vice president. 24 Vice president of anything in particular or --Q. 25 Α. Just vice president.

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11	1	Q. Who was the president at that time?
il	2	A. Stephen Kang.
	3	Q. At some point the assets of the company were sold to
11	4	CMI EPTI?
	5	A. Yes. Correct.
11	6	Q. That was in late August 2004?
	7	A. September 8, 2004 was the hearing date for the sale
	8	and closing.
11	9	Q. And after the assets were purchased by CMI, did you
	10	change jobs?
	11	A. I stayed vice president.
	12	Q. Is that your position today?
11	13	A. Yes.
11	14	Q. Jumping back for a minute. When you were vice
	15	president of the company in 2004, what were your
	16	responsibilities?
	17	A. It was there was three vice presidents at that
	18	time, we shared responsibility for running the day-to-day
	19	operations of the company.
	20	Q. Who were the three vice presidents?
11	21	A. Dan Levstek and, at the beginning, Simon Kassas.
₹`} }	22	Q. When did Mr. Kassas leave?
	23	A. It was almost at the same time I was promoted to
	24	vice president. So it was probably March March
11	25	February, March time frame of 2004, I believe. And then,
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1	after that, it was just Mr. Levstek and I as vice presidents
2	in the company.
3	Q. Is Mr. Levstek with CMI EPTI?
4	A. Yes.
5	Q. Is he still a vice president?
6	A. Yes, he is.
7	Q. Who's the president of CMI EPTI?
. 8	A. Today it's Tino Vinkestyn. He's CEO, there is no
9	president.
10	Q. How do you spell Vinkestyn?
11	A. V-I-N-K-E-S-T-Y-N.
12	Q. Are there any other vice presidents besides you?
13	A. Yes. There's one other. Xavier D'Hubert,
14	D-H-U-B-E-R-T.
15	QD'?
16	A. $H-U-B-E-R-T$.
17	Q. And is Xavier working in Erie?
18	A. Yes, he is.
19	Q. Mr. Vinkestyn as well?
20	A. Yes.
21	Q. Were you ever offered a position with Indeck
22	Keystone Energy?
23	A. No, I was not.
24	Q. Do you have any knowledge of how it was that certain
25	individuals who had been working for EPTI were offered

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1	Q. Did Zurn sell any direct-fired O style watertube
2	boilers with welded wall construction?
3	A. Yes.
4	Q. Is it your testimony that the mere addition of
5	welded wall construction takes the boiler out of the realm of
6	the M series boiler?
7	A. Yes. The M series was a specific geometry
8	construction type and style of boiler for the company, and
9	that did not include welded waterwall panels.
10	Q. When was the last Keystone M series boiler sold by
11	Zurn Energy?
12	A. I have no idea. I'd have to look at records to see
13	that.
14	Q. When was the last Keystone M series boiler sold by
15	Aalborg Industries?
16	A. I'd have to look at the records. I don't know.
17	Q. When was the last Keystone M series boiler sold by
18	EPTI?
19	A. Last one I would guess is our order 2023 is the
20	last O-type boiler, and the drawings show it probably as an M
21	size. If you look at the title box, it's probably called an
22	M size. But that was the last O-type boiler that I recall
23	that we did.
24	Q. My question was the last M series boiler.
25	A. I don't know without looking.

1 Was 2023 an M series boiler? 0. 2023 was an O-type boiler. I'd have to look at the 2 A. records to see exactly what it's called. 3 Do you know who the customer was on that project? 4 0. 5 Α. It was Victory Energy. 6 Was that the Heinz Plant? Q. 7 Α. Yes. 8 Q. Muscatine, Iowa? 9 Α. I believe that's what it was, yes. 10 And that was sold to Victory prior to the date of Q. 11 the license agreement? 12 Α. Yes. Correct. You just don't recall, as you sit here today --13 14 strike that. Do you recall whether or not 2023 had 100 15 percent membrane construction? 16 I don't recall if it was 100 percent membrane construction, but the furnace and side walls were membrane 17 18 construction, yes. 19 Well, if the furnace and side walls were membrane Q. construction, could it be considered an M series boiler? 20 21 Because -- on the drawing it was probably shown Α. No. as an M series; however, internally to the company -- the 22 term M series boiler was used loosely in the company. 23 style of boiler was an O-type boiler, and in the past, the M 24 series was standardized based on capacity, and certain 25

1 Α. I don't know for sure. 2 Now, you indicated that you were involved in the Q. company in reviewing the license agreement specific to Annex 3 4 1? 5 The entire license agreement, and -- in addition to A. helping to develop and write Annex 1, yes. 6 7 What was your understanding of how Annex 1 operated Q. in conjunction with the license agreement? 8 9 The license agreement spelled out a certain Α. technology was licensed per the description in Annex 1, and 10 the Annex 1 defined exactly what the product lines and ranges 11 12 and type of construction of the boiler that -- the license agreement text itself was very generic to what it was trying 13 to accomplish, and Annex 1 was the specifics of what the 14 15 products were. Do you have any legal training? 16 Q. 17 Α. No, I do not. 18 But you did take the time to aide the agreement and Q. 19 draft or revise Annex 1? 20 MR. GISLESON: Objection. Implication that legal 21 training is necessary to do so. 22 From my perspective of protecting the company's Α. interests, yes. I reviewed the documents and highlighted 23 areas which I felt were inconsistent with what the company 24

may want to do, yes. Absolutely.

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membrane technology under the license agreement?

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Α. Yes, they did.

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Do you know approximately how many of the boilers or 0. what percentage of the boilers that Victory sold included membrane wall technology?

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I would guess probably 70 percent of them did. Α.

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In fact, all of the six -- first six sales that Q. Victory had under the license agreement included membrane wall technology, didn't they?

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I honestly don't know. At the time period we Α. weren't concerned about the specifics of what they were selling. Again, given the timing of the company, it was more important to watch the revenue stream. So we were encouraged by the fact that they were able to sell boilers, and we were

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not strictly enforcing any -- any degree of what was in the license agreement.

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You said you weren't strictly enforcing it? Q.

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Correct. So from the perspective, if they had welded walls, we never sent anything to them and said, please

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stop selling welded wall style boilers. Because at that time period it was more important to see that there was a revenue

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stream and we were re-establishing the name in the industry

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for the package boiler line. MR. SHEEAN: Why don't we take a short break.

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of Erie Power, to the best of your knowledge?

MR. GISLESON: Objection. Vague, foundation.

- A. No. Because what we licensed was the M series product. We had another product line that included that, which was the entire O boiler set of products. So in the context of the M series boiler that was already established and it was already an enhancement. It was not part of the license agreement. And it became apparent when we were working with Victory to try to sell the product line or what Victory was looking to purchase under the product line got into the nomenclature of, all M series are O-type, but not all O-type are M series.
- Q. Before the time you were discussing the sale of the product line to Victory Energy, did you have any conversations with anyone at Victory Energy relative to whether or not M series boilers included membrane wall technology?
- A. We did not, I would say. We were not concerned about that from the perspective of we were selling product and receiving income cash flow to the company.
- Q. How was Victory Energy supposed to know that M series boilers did not include membrane wall technology?
- A. In Annex 1 there's a description of what the product line specifically is, right down to the detail of type of construction and arrangement of side walls, front walls, rear

that.

- Q. Was Erie Power paid on those jobs for that engineering support?
- A. On the case of the one that was the taller, narrower boiler, yes, we were paid as an engineering study to do that engineering work.
- Q. And that was above and beyond any remuneration that Erie Power would receive under the license agreement, correct?
 - A. Yes. Correct.
- Q. Mr. Gdaniec, I have handed you what's been marked as Exhibit 6 in your deposition. This is a series of e-mails between you and Mark White, Bates labeled IKE000342 and 343.

 Do you recall receiving and sending these e-mails?

 (Gdaniec Deposition Exhibit No. 6 marked for

identification.)

- A. Yes, I do recall this, yes.
- Q. As a general matter, do you believe Mark White understood -- strike that. As a general matter, in January 2003, do you believe Mark White had the same understanding of the definition of the term "standard M series boiler" that you have attributed to that term?
 - A. Yes.
- Q. How do you have that -- strike that. On what do you base that understanding?

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- The period of time that he was in the company and in discussions on the product line and aware of what the market was asking for versus what the company had to offer as standard products.
- Did Mark White ever say to you specifically that he Q. had the same understanding of the M series boiler phrase that you have attributed today?
 - Α. No. I can say we've never had that discussion.
- Okay. In your response to Mark on January 22, 2003, Q. at 8:36 a.m., which is in the middle of the first page of this exhibit, it says, "Mark, Be careful on this one for Dan and I spoke on it today and he believes that if this is outside of the license agreement (which it is) then we better get paid for it. I think you need to get together with Dan and Stephen and Simon and resolve this matter pretty quickly. From what I understand, this is way out of the license agreement, welded walls and higher design pressure." Do you see that?
- Α. Yes, I do.
 - Do you recall writing that to Mark White? 0.
- 21 No. But seeing it here I'm sure I did in the Α. 22 e-mail, yes.
 - Did you speak with Dan Levstek or Stephen Kang or Q. Simon Kassas relative to this e-mail?
 - No, I did not. Basically, in my opinion, it was Α.

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- I would assume that, if, in fact, they sold it, 1 Α. under the license agreement we did receive a royalty. I would assume so, yes.
 - Did Erie Power support the Atofina project? Q.
 - If there were questions specifically asked on it, ${\tt I}$ Α. would say, yes, we probably did, yes.
 - Now, did you respond back to Mark in any way after ο. receiving his e-mail? The one that's at the top of the first page, wherein he says, "Welded wall design will be handled by Victory."
 - I do not recall if I responded specifically to this Α. or not.
 - Did you believe that it was permissible under the Q. license agreement for Victory to sell the welded wall design on that boiler as long as they handled it?
 - I would say given the timing in the company, were we Α. going to make an issue of a welded wall -- as you can see in my concern back to him, "This is way out of the license agreement, welded walls and higher design pressure." So from my perspective -- I expressed my concern it was beyond the agreement; however, given the context of where we were in the company, it was revenue, and if the company chose to pursue it and allow it to happen, then I didn't raise any further concern.
 - Did you voice any concern regarding your belief that Q.

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1 the assets. 2 Q. Did Mr. Coale ask you what was licensed under the 3 license agreement? Α. Yes. 5 What did you tell him? Q. The products, and we went through the pages of the 6 Α. license agreement, explained the product lines and the subset 7 8 of the O boiler that was licensed to Victory. And the 9 projects -- we went through the projects that they had been 10 successful to sell and the types of boilers they were 11 pursuing, yes. 12 So you explained to Mr. Coale that Victory Energy Q. 13 had sold predominantly boilers with welded wall technology? 14 MR. GISLESON: Objection. Mischaracterizes his 15 testimony. 16 Α. No. We did not get into specifics like that. 17 Did you discuss with Mr. Coale any perceived Q. 18 breaches by Victory Energy of the license agreement? 19 Α. Yes, we did. 20 Q. This is, again, in that same due diligence time 21 frame? 22 Α. The only discussions with Mr. Coale were during due 23 diligence period, yes. 24 What breaches did you describe to Mr. Coale during Q. 25 those meetings?

- Q. To the best of your recollection, did Victory Energy approach Erie Power for permission to pursue other projects outside the scope of the license agreement?
 - A. Yes.

- Q. Do you recall the names of any of those projects?
- A. Not specifically. I think there was a total of five that they came back and specifically asked, and two of the five we actually had written cooperation agreements, and at that time it was getting very near the -- the sale in the bankruptcy courts. So the other three projects were never formalized into a cooperation agreement. However, Victory understood that we would write those, and, you know, that that was part of the -- the five was agreed to by EPTI that we would support them and pursue it in joint.
- Q. To the best of your knowledge, did Victory Energy ever sell a boiler above 150,000 pounds per hour of steam without the permission of Erie Power?
- A. To the best of any knowledge, they never sold anything beyond 150 period.
 - Q. Either with permission or otherwise?
- A. With or without, yes. From my understanding of what was sold, yes.

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there was also an extension to the license agreement which then clearly, in writing, broke out the M series boiler, which is what the company was willing to sell, and then an option to extend the license agreement to include all of the O series products within that range.

- Why did you -- strike that. Do you have an ο. understanding of why Erie Power went from a purchase agreement to a license with option to purchase?
- It was all with regards to the bankruptcy issues. Could -- and this is part of the discussions with the lawyers. Was it even an alternative for EPTI to sell the products out under the bankruptcy or -- could it be done, could it not be done. I believe the discussions, which I was not part of, that we could do the license agreement because it was demonstrating we were trying to bring in revenue as part of the reorganization, but potentially could not agree to sell it, along those lines.
- Do you recall that after your revisions to the Q. license agreement and option to purchase that you had some correspondence back and forth with Mark White?
 - Α. Some very heated discussions as well.
- I'm handing you what we've marked as Gdaniec Exhibit 0. 24, but before I get into that document, you just said you had some heated discussions with Mark White?

(Gdaniec Deposition Exhibit No. 24 marked for

identification.)

A. Yes.

- Q. Without looking at the document, can you give me a synopsis of what those discussions entailed?
- A. Yes. The negotiations between Victory and EPTI were being handled by Mr. Kang and Victory. I'm not sure who in Victory, but I'd say Mr. Kang and at that time Mr. Kang's assistant, George Doremus. And there was nobody else in the company involved. At one point is when it got turned over to me and I began to modify, change, alter, expand, clarify the documents at which which at that point then it was discussions with Mr. White with regards to what I was doing, and I was being negative towards the whole process, and, you know, confusing Stephen with new terminology and new subtleties of the equipment.

You know, they were -- they had moved so far along, and this was going to save EPTI with cash coming into the company. So it was a good thing and why can't I just, you know, leave it be and move forward. Apparently it had gotten pretty far along with regards to negotiations or discussions between, at that time, Stephen Kang and Victory with moving forward with some kind of arrangement. That, I would assume, probably prompted someone to write the draft saying, okay, we've gotten over the initial discussion, let's draft a document and get this thing moving forward.

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- A. Yes, I do.
- The subject is "Completed Annex," and Mark says, Q. "Gentlemen, based on our recent discussions relative to a technology purchase through Rule 363, the amendment as provided would not be appropriate for this purpose. document outlining the sale of the technology requires development. However, the Annex 2 could be utilized to define the technology purchase. In regards we have the following comments to the annex," and then it identifies a number of statements, and one of those is, "Boiler technology. Paragraph No. 1. This paragraph requires modification as it limits the purchase to that of the $\ensuremath{\mathtt{M}}$ series and is to be expanded to include O type boilers. has always been the intention of VEO to purchase the O boiler technology which includes the M series boilers." Do you see that?
- 18 A. Yes, I do.
 - Q. So you understood that Victory Energy was looking to purchase the entire O series line?
 - A. Yes.
- Q. Or O style?
 - A. Yes. And they identify here that they understood the difference between what the M series and O boilers were, clearly by his comment.

Q. In March of 2004? 2 Α. Yes. 3 MR. SHEEAN: I'd like to move to strike the last 4 answer as nonresponsive. 5 MR. GISLESON: Disagree. Above that is an e-mail from you to Mark saying, "We 6 0. 7 met internally yesterday and this morning with Stephen and George in the loop by conference call and discussed the 8 agreement and your comments and offer the attached for your 9 consideration. I have a version of the full agreement, but 10 11 did not include because I need to proofread the Annex 1 one more time with the changes that are addressed in this 12 attachment." Do you see that? 13 14 Α. Yes, I do. 15 0. And Mark writes back to you, "Bob, My first pass is 16 that of extreme disappointment. We are interested in 17 purchasing the O line up to 165,000 PPH. EPTI needs to determine if you are interested in selling the line. I will 18 discuss with John Viskup and develop a formal response." Do 19 20 you see that? 21 Α. Yes, I do. You said a minute ago that you believe that 22 Q. Paragraph No. 1 under boiler technology demonstrates Victory 23 Energy understood the difference between M series and O type; 24 25 is that right?

A. Yes. Correct.

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- Q. Isn't it possible that Mark White was referring to the increase in the steam capacity above 150,000 pounds per hour to designate the difference between the M series and the O?
 - A. No.

MR. GISLESON: Objection.

- Q. Had you ever had a conversation with Mark White where you specifically were able to confirm that?
- A. Yes. Because the discussion was all-around relative to our distinction of what the M series was versus what the O boiler line could be, and Victory wanted the full flexibility of what the O boiler could be and not be limited to what the M series was.
- Q. And that was based on what Erie Power was defining the M series to be, correct?
- A. And what -- yes. And what Erie Power was willing to sell under this discussion that we're having here in the e-mails. That we weren't interested in selling the entire O boiler line. We were only interested to sell the subset called the M series technologies.
- Q. To the best of your knowledge, there were no similar discussions before the execution of the original license agreement regarding the Erie Power understanding of the M series boiler line, correct?

provide Victory Energy with a perpetual license for the use 1 2 of the Keystone name? Because, in the boiler industry, the Keystone boiler 3 Α. has always been attributed back to our product line, and that 4 really is 80 percent of the nature of the business, having 5 reputation and identifiability in the industry. People see a 6 Keystone boiler, and they know it was our product and always 7 8 was our product. 9 0. Is that still true today? 10 From the perspective of CMI's business, I'm -- it Α. has no meaning to CMI's business. In the industrial boiler 11 12 business, yes, the Keystone name has a very solid and 13 long-lived reputation, yes. Is it still attributed back to Erie Power and its 14 Q. 15 predecessors, to the best of your knowledge? 16 I would say, yes, to the best of my knowledge. Α. 17 Do you know if Indeck Keystone Energy is currently Q. 18 marketing any Keystone boilers? 19 I'm not aware of their day-to-day business. Α. 20 Page 7435 through 7436 sets forth EPTI concerns Q. regarding VEO performance. Do you see that? 21 22 Α. Yes, I do. 23 Q. Did you draft this document as well?

Was this attached to your March 26th letter to Mark

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- A. Yes. It was part of this entire document.
- Q. Here you set forth a number of problems or -- concerns, as you identify it, regarding VEO performance under the existing agreement?
 - A. Yes.
- Q. Why did you wait 15 months into the agreement to set forth Erie Power's concerns regarding the license agreement?

 MR. GISLESON: Objection. Misleading,

 mischaracterizes the evidence.
- A. I would say EPTI as a whole did not wait until this period of time to put forth the concerns. There had been concerns that had been raised throughout the course of the agreement. This was the first document that formalized them all together in one document to say we'd also like to address -- we were in the discussion with Victory to move forward with business, either amend license, extend license, purchase it, and we looked at it also as the opportunity to now, in the timing of the company -- the bankruptcy was moving positively, there was belief we were moving forward. It was time to get back to start looking at all of the open issues in the business. So we accumulated the issues in this one document. Committed the issues we discussed previously.
- Q. Can you identify a single document where Erie Power specifically identified to Victory Energy performance

1 Strike that. Did someone from EPTI ask you to Q. become involved in the process leading up to a finalization 2 of the license agreement with Victory Energy Operations? 3 4 Α. No. Not specifically. 5 Q. How about generally? 6 Α. I was company chief engineer, and had role and 7 responsibility for the care and custody of the technology, so I didn't need to be asked to be involved in that 8 9 discussion. 10 Did you believe it was appropriate for you to Q. 11 participate in that discussion? 12 Α. Yes. 13 Q. What did you see your role as being? 14 Protector and maintainer of the intellectual 15 property and technology of the company. 16 Did you fulfill that goal in connection with this license agreement? 17 18 I would say, in hindsight, no. Looking at the time Α. 19 we did it, we did the best that we thought we could do, yes. Now, specifically with respect to Annex 1, how did 20 0. 21 you seek to protect and maintain the technology? 22 In Annex 1 of the license agreement, we tried to be A. as specific to the construction features and geometry of what 23 the boiler mind was -- in our mind was intended to be. From 24 the perspective of types of detail of drawing or construction 25

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A. Functionally he was a graphics group leader. I'm not sure the title he had. He managed and coordinated activities of the drafting area.

MR. SHEEAN: And that was asked and answered.

- Q. To your knowledge, did he have any responsibilities with respect to the Keystone?
- A. That was -- his primary historical experience was in the package boiler line.
- Q. So you understood that Mr. Briggs had an understanding as to the features associated with the Keystone M series?
 - A. Yes.
- Q. I'd like to show you what's been marked as Gdaniec Exhibit 33. It's a two-page document stamped IKE354 to 355. Looking at the first page, do you see how at the bottom of this is a copy of the January 30, 2003 e-mail from Mark White to you asking you to review and provide your comments?

(Gdaniec Deposition Exhibit 33 marked for identification.)

- A. Yes.
- Q. Above that is an e-mail that Dave Briggs drafted on January 30th, shortly after Mr. White sent the January 30th e-mail in which he is stating that he looked at the annex as well and had the following comments to what should be added.

Do you see that?

- A. Yes, I do.
- Q. And Mr. Briggs wrote, "There is no mention of the following: Tangent furnace wall tubes, tangent outer side wall tubes; the units are only saturated, no superheater; the feedwater connection is in the lower drum." And he has a question, "Is the outer side casing flat or ribbed?" Then he writes, "The front and rear wall construction is that of refractory, no front wall tubes at all." As to his comments, A, B A C, D, and F, which are the ones without a question involved, did he accurately describe the standard M series Keystone watertube package boiler?
- A. Those were -- what he's identified are significant issues in the M series that were not identified.
- Q. Did you agree that those were significant issues that should be identified in the annex of the license agreement?
 - A. Yes.
- Q. Now, when we looked at the draft of the annex that was provided by Mark White to you on January 30, 2003, were there any drawings associated with that draft for Annex 1?
 - A. No. In the original draft, no.
- Q. Do you agree that in his original draft Mr. White did not have any mention of tangent furnace wall tubes, tangent outer side wall tubes, that the units are only

1	saturated, and that the front and rear wall construction's
2	that of refractory?
3	A. Yes. There's no mention of construction detail in
4	the original annex.
5	Q. Did you have a discussion with Mr. Briggs about the
6	need to incorporate those features into Annex 1 that were
7	identified in Mr. Briggs' January 30, 2003 e-mail?
8	A. Not that I recall directly with Mr. Briggs.
9	Q. Did you have any conversations with Mark White
10	concerning whether those features should be incorporated into
11	Annex 1 of the license agreement?
12	A. Not directly as I recall.
13	Q. Indirectly?
14	A. Don't recall.
15	Q. Do you know whether those features, in fact, were
16	included in Annex 1?
17	A. In the final version of the annex we added drawings
18	and sketches that specifically define construction details.
19	Q. If we could look at Exhibit 5, which contains a copy
20	of the final annex, do you see how that is initialed in the
21	lower right-hand corner?
22	A. Yes.
23	Q. Would you recognize the initials to be those of John
24	Viskup and Mark White?
25	MR. SHEEAN: I'm going to object. Lack of

foundation.

- A. Mark White, MJW, I recognize. I've never seen -- I assume that's John Viskup, but I've never seen his --
- Q. Now, in looking at Annex 1, the version that was executed by the parties, does Annex 1 have any mention to tangent furnace wall tubes?
- A. There's a section that was added in the sketches that shows, specific to the details, type of construction of the side walls being tangent tubes, the front wall being refractory, and the rear wall being tube and tile.
 - Q. What page is that?
- A. Page 23 in the -- what's marked here as Page 23 of the annex.
 - Q. Of Exhibit 5?
 - A. That's marked as Fuhrman 24. Yep. Gdaniec 5.
- Q. And that shows, on that page, both tangent furnace wall tubes as well as tangent outer side wall tubes?
- A. Yeah. There's a specific note on the drawing that the furnace wall is tangent tube and the outer wall is tangent tube. The front wall is shown as castable refractory and insulating fire brick. The rear wall is shown as tube and tile tubes with tile insulation. And there's a note on the drawing itself that says, "Front wall refractory, rear wall tube and tile, outer wall tangent, furnace walls tangent."

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Q. Was VEO not disclosing, in each of the instances, at the time of the sale or before the time of sale that it was including membrane walls?

MR. SHEEAN: Objection. Asked and answered.

- A. I would say, not every instance, but we also weren't asking for it to follow up.
- Q. Did you, in fact, become aware that VEO was incorporating membrane technology in its boilers that were sold under the license agreement?
 - A. Yes.
- Q. Was it your belief that EPTI, with respect to each of those specific boilers, permitted VEO to sell those boilers with that feature?
 - A. Yes.
- Q. Did you ever send anything in writing to VEO in which you authorized them, after March 26, 2004, which was the date of your letter expressing or identifying concerns with respect to VEO's performance, that they could sell M series boilers with membrane walls whenever they wanted?
 - A. No. I never sent anything like that.
- Q. I'd like to show you what's been marked as Gdaniec Exhibit 34, which is a document stamped IKE4410 to IKE4429. Do you recognize this to be an e-mail from Marie Fisk, on behalf of Mark White, to John Viskup on the subject of

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VEO1197, can you read the date on that drawing? 1 2 Α. Yeah. 1/14/03. 3 Now, who asked engineering to prepare the drawings 0. 4 that became part of Annex 1? I'm not sure anyone specifically asked the drawings 5 Α. be created, but in the discussion of how do we capture the 6 definition of the product line, the decision was made to 7 create drawings or take standard sheets and put them together 8 9 as -- to form part of the annex. 10 Who made that decision? 0. It was probably collective. I can't recall that it 11 Α. was me in particular, but around the discussion of, how do we 12 go ahead and protect ourselves, what's the best way to do it, 13 it was proposed, I assume, that drawings be put in, but I 14 15 can't tell you for sure. Collectively who do you believe was involved in that 16 Q. 17 process? Ted Fuhrman; myself; Dave Briggs, might have been 18 Α. Mark White in the discussion; Neil Bradwell, who was a design 19 20 engineer in the group --MR. SHEEAN: I'm going to object to this as 21 22 speculation. 23 Q. You can finish. 24 Α. That's it. 25 Do you know who was responsible for providing the 0.

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